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Dear Toni:

I went through Harold Weisberg's stuff and, quite candidly, was not bowled over by it. It is a damn shame, because you know how enthusiastic I was about the possibilities of the chicken farmer who fell casualty to sonic boom.

His outline, of course, does not weld these two themes, and I wondered if you have had a chance to discuss this project with him. What I would like to see, if he is interested and if he feels the material warrants it, is an outline of a book about how he had to give up the farm and why. I must make it perfectly clear, Toni, that this would have to be done on speculation--all the more so now that I have seen the goose stuff. But I think it may be a possible idea, and I would like to know what he thinks of it.

Do you want me to hold the material here, or shoot it back to you?

Cordially,

Arthur C. Fields

ACF:snw